

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend, without prejudice, paragraph 42 as follows:

--The above-described communications between a filer 2 and a policy engine 6 can be implemented with the help of interface definition language (IDL) files, which are platform-independent representations of data as exchanged between two machines. Certain embodiments of the invention employ two IDLs, referred to as fprequest.idl and fpcompletion.idl. ~~fprequest.idl~~ fpcompletion.idl. Fprequest.idl describes the RPC calls made by the filer 2 to the policy engine 6, i.e., the screen request RPCs.--